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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE COMMITTEE MINUTES Approved November 6, 2017

The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Committee held a meeting on September 18, 2017 at 4:30 p.m., in Conference Room A, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE.

PRESENT: Ronald Castaldo, PhD, CRNA; Cindy Cunningham, PMHCNS/NP; Mary Diamond,

DO; Sandy Elliott, CNM; Maryanne Holzapfel, RPh; Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C;

Richard Henderson, MD; Leena Paul, MD;

ABSENT: Manisha Wadhwa, MD;

GUESTS: No Public Present

PRESIDING: Megan Williams, DNP, FNP-C

STAFF: David Mangler, RN, MS Director - Division of Professional Regulation;

Jennifer L. Singh, Deputy Attorney General, Delaware Department of Justice

1.0 Call to Order: Dr. Williams called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

2.0 Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the July 26, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Henderson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Diamond to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously with Mr. Castaldo and Ms. Elliott abstaining from the vote.

3.0 Unfinished Business

- 3.1. Potential Rules and Regulations Changes for APRNs
- 3.1.1 Supervised Practice Plans The Committee members discussed § 1918 of Title 24 and determined that the language in that section was sufficient enough regarding an individual who has been

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out of practice for greater than 5 years. That section indicates that the individual must be precepted for at least 600 hours under a physician or comparable APRN in the same role and population foci; and obtain 45 contact hours of pharmacology continuing education.

3.1.2 Practice Hours – The Committee discussed whether or not there is a definition of what constitutes "practice." The Committee determined that it should look to the National Council of State Boards of Nursing regarding any knowledge or white papers related to this as well as any minimum number of hours for re-entry into practice.

4.0 New Business

4.1 Applications were reviewed for independent practice as advanced practice registered nurses for:

Darlene Annas, CNS, Psych/Mental Health

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Mr. Castoldo, to grant independent practice contingent upon clarification of question #8 on the verification; the motion passed unanimously.

Darce Braiman, APRN, Psych/Mental Health NP

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Ms. Cunningham, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Nicole Black, APRN, CNM

Mr. Castaldo moved, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Taylor Burge APRN, FNP

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Ms. Cunningham, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Annie Caswell, APRN, FNP

Ms. Cunningham moved, seconded by Ms. Holzapfel, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Maura Coulter, APRN, Pediatric NP

Mr. Castaldo moved, seconded by Dr. Paul, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Vilma Davis, APRN, Pediatric NP

Mr. Castaldo moved, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Mdwidiffu Dibal, APRN, FNP

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Dorinda Dove, CNM

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Ms. Elliott moved, seconded by Mr. Castadlo, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Beth Euston, APRN, FNP

Ms. Cunningham moved, seconded by Ms. Elliott, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Stacey Graves, APRN, FNP

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Ms. Cunningham, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Laura Hummel, CNS, Psych/Mental Health

Mr. Castaldo moved, seconded by Ms. Cunningham, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Katie Mansur, CNM

Mr. Castaldo moved, seconded by Ms. Elliott, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Kathleen McCarthy, CNM

Dr. Henderson moved, seconded by Ms. Elliott, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Amavi Pitts, CRNA

Ms. Cunningham moved, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Dale Robertson, CRNA

Ms. Elliott moved, seconded by Dr. Diamond, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Sarah Webster, CNM

Ms. Elliott moved, seconded by Dr. Henderson, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

Nancy Winter, APRN, FNP

Ms. Elliott moved, seconded by Mr. Castaldo, to grant independent practice; the motion passed unanimously.

5.0 Other Business (for discussion)

Mr. Mangler advised the committee that a notice letter was being drafted to advise licensee's when their applications for independent practice have been approved.

The Verification of Experience/Supervision form will be modified to add "collaborator" before Business/Practice Name.

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6.0. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7.0. Next Meeting Date – November 6, 2017

8.0. Adjournment – 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

David C. Mangler, RN, MS

Director

Division of Professional Regulation